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Substitute Senate Bill No. 229

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The Committee on Judiciary reported through SEN. COLEMAN of the 2nd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OF CERTAIN MUSIC TO MINORS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 (NEW) Any person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of
- 2 selling at retail prerecorded audio material to which a warning label is
- 3 affixed shall conspicuously post and at all times display at or near the
- 4 point of sale at the premises where such prerecorded audio material is
- 5 sold a notice setting forth the sale, refund and exchange policy of such
- 6 person, firm or corporation with respect to such prerecorded audio
- 7 material, including whether any age restrictions apply to the purchase
- 8 of such labeled prerecorded audio material and the terms of any such
- 9 restrictions.

JUD *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Affected Agencies: None

Municipal Impact: None

OLR BILL ANALYSIS

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OF CERTAIN MUSIC TO MINORS.**SUMMARY:**

This bill requires music stores and retailers that sell records, CDs, or other prerecorded audio material to post their sale, refund, and exchange policies if any of these recordings bears a parental warning label. (Record companies voluntarily place parental advisory labels on recordings that they determine contain strong language or depict violence, sex, or substance abuse.)

The bill requires the posting to be continuous, conspicuous, and displayed at or near the point of sale (i.e., cash register). The notice must specify if and what age restrictions apply to people who buy labeled recordings.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2001

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 38 Nay 1